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SUBJECT: SUHARTO- RAZAK MEETING AND RELATIONS WITH CHINA

1. MALIK TOLD CHARGE DURING APRIL 30 MEETING THAT
MALAYSIAN PRIME MINISTER TUN RAZAK WILL MEET WITH PRESIDENT
SUHARTO IN SUMATRA (PALEMBANG) ON MAY 3 AND 4.

2. MALIK SAID THERE WAS NO URGENT REASON FOR MEETING BUT
TWO ISSUES WHICH WILL CERTAINLY BE DISCUSSED ARE:
RELATIONS WITH CHINA AND MALAYSIA- PHILIPPINE PROBLEMS
ARISING FROM PHILIPPINE MUSLIM ISSUE (LATTER BEING
REPORTED SEPTTEL).

3. ON CHINA, MALIK SAID QUESTION OF RELATIONS BETWEEN
ASEAN COUNTRIES AND PEKING WAS DISCUSSED AT SOME LENGTH
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AT PATTAYA MEETING OF ASEAN IN MID- APRIL. HE SAID THERE WAS
GENERAL AGREEMENT ON DESIRABILITY OF EACH ASEAN NATION
ESTABLISHING RELATIONS WITH CHINA, THOUGH ALL RECOGNIZED
EACH MUST DECIDE TIMING OF ITS OWN MOVE-- KEEPING OTHER
ASEAN MEMBERS FULLY INFORMED.

4. ACCORDING MALIK, MALAYSIA IS MOST ANXIOUS OF ASEAN
MEMBERS TO ESTABLISH RELATIONS WITH CHINA AND HAD INDICATED
AT PATTAYA MEETING RELATIONS LIKELY TO BE ESTABLISHED
SOON-- PROBABLY DURING AUGUST. MALIK SAID DISCUSSIONS AT
PATTAYA MADE CLEAR THAIS ARE NOT READY TO MOVE TOWARD

RELATIONS WITH CHINA AND WILL NOT BE READY FOR SOME TIME.
MALIK SAID HE HAD TAKEN POSITION WITH ASEAN COLLEAGUES
THAT GOI UNLIKELY TO NORMALIZE ITS RELATIONS WITH CHINA
BEFORE END 1973, POSITION WHICH WAS WELCOME TO THAIS.
MALIK ADDED THAT THAI DESIRE NOT TO BE PRESSED BY
ACTIONS OF ASEAN COLLEAGUES INTO TOO RAPID ACTION ON RTG' S OWN
RELATIONS WITH CHINA IS NOW " ADDITIONAL FACTOR" WORKING AGAINST
SPEEDY NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS BETWEEN CHINA AND
INDONESIA.

5. MALIK SAID MALAYSIA CHEARLY WANTS TO BE SURE
ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS WITH CHINA WILL NOT CREATE
PROBLEMS FOR, AND IS THROUGHLY AGREEABLE TO, GOI AND
THAT THIS IS ONE REASON FOR RAZAK- SUHARTO MEETING AT
THIS TIME.
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